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SENTIMENT AND JUSTICE

Lest maudlin sentiment pervert justice the people of the United States should allow their minds to revert to the days when France was on her knees asking for an armistice and peace from the then victorious German armies. Then did the Germans exact from the defeated and disorganized French the last pound of flesh and the last drop of blood. The French were given three weeks to set up a stable government with which terms of peace would be made. While the people were electing an assembly and organizing the new government German armies policed France. From Paris they exacted \$40,000,000 from the people and looted millions from other cities. And the terms of peace were more drastic. The French paid an indemnity of \$1,000,-000,000 to the Germans and had to give up one-fifth of Lorraine and all of Alsace, the richest part of France. And until the indemnity was paid Germany continued to police France. Not until the fall of 1873 did the German army get out of France and it was with great reluctance that the army was withdrawn across

The terms laid down by the allies is far less drastic than those imposed on the French. They simply ask them to give up the loot taken from the invaded territories and to make reparation in part for the foul atrocities committed. And after giving their solemn assurances that the armies would be taken out of Belgium and France these fellows were going home loaded down with plunder of every description. Every principle of decency was violated by them, and assurances were ample that no written agreement would be binding upon these Huns. Every solemn pledge was but a scrap of paper with everyone of them from the kaiser to the private citizen, and we have no especial reason to believe anything that they promise at this time.

The German women have asked the good offices of Mrs. Wilson and Jane Addams for the return of the stolendaries and locomotives that Germany may prift thereby, and that the people may be fed at the expense of the allies. If the German people were other than what they have shown themselves to be they might be entitled to the sympathy of the world, but any sympathy shown is wasted upon one of the most damnable peoples this round old world has ever known. When all is known of what the soldiers of Germany have done to the invaded territories and their people it is impossible that one spark of sympathy will enter the breasts of a human being in any part of the world, no matter if starvation visits every part of Germany.

Just think of the desolated territories, the women and children carried into slavery, the ravished womanhood and the crucified babes, the starvation of prisoners and the wanton destruction of the world's cherished works of art, and every base device to destroy and wreck and make useless anything of value that could not be looted and carried away from Belgium, France, Italy, Serbia, Rumania, Greece, Poland and Russia.

And now when the spector of famine, the wolf at the door, appears in Germany, how they howl for food that the suffering they imposed on all their enemies may not come to them. When all the world is fed and there be enough left over to feed Germany she may be rationed as she deserves, but not till then. Let Justice be done the German people, but let it be justice, not sentiment.

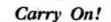
Remember when our boys were being marched through the towns of Germany as prisoners the women stood at the curb and spat in the faces of these brave fellows. Yes and even spat in their food before it was given to them. And think of the boys who were so unfortunate as to be taken prisoners by these Huns and who have died by the roadside of starvation after being released by the armistice. And those who were able to get back to the lines were almost skeletons, the result of starvation, although the allies sent plenty of food into Germany to feed all of them well. Even their clothing was taken from them. When these boys come back to America and our people learn from them of all the needless bloodshed, and all the foul things that the Huns have committed, we hope there will be an end to maudlin sentiment.

DIRECT PRIMARY UNPOPULAR

One of the laws that years of trial has proven to be a farce is the Direct Primary. What it sought to rectify it magnified a hundred fold-that of purchasing nominations. It is said that the race for the governorship in the democratic party cost some . of the candidates more than \$50,000, and we are inclined to believe it to be true. Even if a man is careful and frugal in expenditures, if he visits all parts of the state and uses placards and newspaper space, it will cost him well up in the thousands, and if he is successful he will have to make the round again for the general election and do the business all over. Arizona has in no way benefited by the direct primary in the securing of good men to office and we do not believe any other state has been benefited. Many things can be lodged against the old party convention system, but we must say that a better class of men were brought out for office. You did not find so many of the other party padding the conventions as in the present condition of our primary law. Few of the men who carried through on both republican and democratic party tickets at the last election would be considered in a convention of those parties because of the fact that republicans, socialists and democrats register with the dominant party in every state and vote with it in the primaries for the poorest timber on the ticket in the hope that they will be able to beat them out at the election. This is not true of the convention system, where men will have to show honest conviction, at least. If the law was so amended that the man receiving the majority of all the votes cast at the primaries would be declared elected, it is possible that it might mitigate the evils o fthis system. But it is more than probable that many of the states will return to the old convention system, the delegates to be elected by some form of primary.

COPPER MINES RECORD BREAKERS

The mines of Arizona, although handicapped by lack of men and materials, as well as the attacks of influenza among the employes of mills, smelteries and mines, will break the record. Other mines of the United States, while not being up to the usual production, will be reinforced by the new properties just coming into production. The year, as a whole, indicates the production of a record breaking tonnage of copper. Without the immense production of this state the government would be in dire distress,





but the big companies have made every effort to keep up a big tonnage, although it has momentarily depleted the reserves. Arizona is now producing practically fifty per cent of the copper of the United States.

WINNING

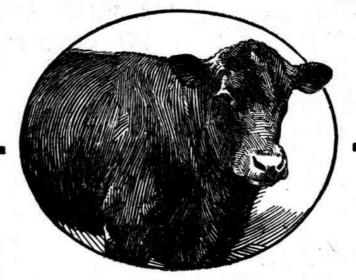
(Apologies to Kipling) by Robt. Honsum,

"What makes you save your olive stones?" the Thoughtless Waster cried.
"The Government has asked for them" the Patriot replied.
"I don't see what it wants of them," the Thoughtless Waster cried.
"It wants the carbon that they make," the Patriot replied.

"SO we're gathering up the cherry pits, the peach stones and the shell Of walnuts and Brazil nuts and of Hickory nuts as well. And the youngsters hunt for butternuts in every dale and dell, To furnish the materials for carbon."

"WHMAT do they want the carbon for?" the Thoughtless Waster cried.
"To manufacture gas-masks," the Patriot replied.
"And a carbon respirator in a gas-mask over there
Will save our boys from gas attacks. Come on and do your share!

"WE dare not waste one single stone—let's give them all they ask! It take two hundred peach pits to equip a single mask. And they've given you and me and everybody else the task. Of furnishing materials for carbon."



What Determines Meat and Live-Stock Prices?

Some stock men still think that Swift & Company—and other big packers—can pay as little for live-stock as they wish.

Some consumers are still led to believe that the packers can charge as much for dressed meat as they wish,

This is not true. These prices are fixed by a law of human nature as old as human nature itself—the law of supply and demand.

When more people want meat than there is meat to be had, the scramble along the line to get it for them sends prices up. When there is more meat than there are people who want it, the scramble all along the line to get rid of it within a few days, while it is still fresh, sends prices down.

When prices of meat go up, Swift & Company not only can pay the producer more, but has to pay him more, or some other packer will.

Similarly, when prices recede all down the line Swift & Company cannot continue to pay the producer the same prices as before, and still remain in the packing business.

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